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Indiana Superintendent of Public Instruction

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** School Districts Receiving Title III Funds in SY 2013-2014

**FROM:** Charlie Geier, Director of Early Learning and Intervention  
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**DATE:** June 16, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Grant Opportunity for WIDA English Language Development (ELD) Standards Implementation

The Indiana Department of Education is pleased to announce a supplemental grant opportunity to assist school districts in the implementation of the WIDA English language development (ELD) standards.

This supplemental Title III grant opportunity is in addition to the school district's regular Title III or NESP allocations. Schools districts are eligible for this grant if they applied for and were approved for a FFY 2013 Title III grant. LEAs participating in a Title III consortium may participate via the fiscal agent of the consortium.

The estimated time to complete this brief grant application is 10 minutes. The application is found online [HERE](#). School districts may wish to utilize [Indiana's WIDA Implementation Guide](#) while planning for this supplemental grant.

School districts will utilize the accompanying allocation document to determine the total funding authorization for the district or the consortium. The total funding authorization includes the count for limited English proficient students in public and nonpublic schools; the LEA is expected to consult with nonpublic schools participating in Title III regarding this additional training.

This grant must be encumbered by September 30, 2014 and liquidated by December 15, 2014.

**Grant Due Date:** July 31, 2014. Participation in this supplemental grant is optional and will not affect a district or consortium's ability to participate in the upcoming Title III or NESP grants. In future monitoring, the IDOE will ask LEAs for their WIDA standards implementation plan, which would include locally-led training of all teachers of English learners (i.e. EL, content area) and curriculum integration; LEAs can utilize this supplemental grant to begin these activities.

Questions about this supplemental grant opportunity can be sent to Nathan Williamson at [nwilliamson@doe.in.gov](mailto:nwilliamson@doe.in.gov) or 317-233-0786.